

Regional Remediation Team

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RE: CIBA-GEIGY Corporation Cranston Site Building Permits

Dear Mr. Peligian:

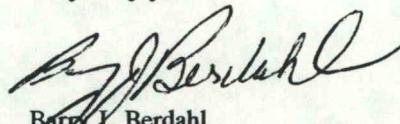
CIBA-GEIGY Corporation (Ciba) is about to start construction of a groundwater stabilization system at our former Cranston manufacturing site under an order from the USEPA, Region I. This is an interim remedial (cleanup) measure under the Federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). Mr. Joseph Corrado, our design consultant from Woodward-Clyde, has been in touch with you regarding building permits. Since time is of the essence because the project must be constructed and on-line by September 30, 1995, according to the EPA, we would like to propose handling PE certification of the system drawings as follows:

- Building Permits for civil/mechanical and electrical construction will be obtained from the City of Cranston by Ciba's contractor(s), per routine.
- All drawings will be signed and sealed by an out-of-state PE with reciprocal engineering privileges in Rhode Island; i.e., NJ, CT, NY, MA, etc.
- The EPA (Frank Battaglia, Project Manager, 617-573-9643) approved the detailed design documents on September 29, 1994 subject to revisions which were submitted in January 1995. A copy of the final revised design (Volumes I-IV) was also provided to the City at that time.
- The EPA did not require P.E. certification of the design for approval.
- The RI Department of Environmental Management (RIDEM) is involved as a reviewer on the stabilization system, but has deferred approval to the EPA under its RCRA jurisdiction.

Ciba has retained Process Engineers and Constructors, Inc., Mr. Robert J. Silva, President, to perform the civil and mechanical construction starting on July 17, 1995. His firm will be requesting a building permit for this construction and will submit several copies of the design drawings, signed and sealed by an out-of-state P.E. We hope this will be satisfactory to the City of Cranston so the project can proceed on the very tight schedule.

If there are any questions, please call me at 908-914-2715.

Very truly yours,


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